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## Red Meat Production in Pennsylvania Down 2 Percent in June

HARRISBURG, PA, July 26, 2010 --- Commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in **Pennsylvania** during June 2010 totaled 105.4 million pounds, down 2 percent from June 2009, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Beef production, at 97.4 million pounds live weight, was down 4 percent from June 2009. Total head slaughtered was 79,400, down 3 percent. Live weight averaged 1,238 pounds, down 7 pounds from last year. Veal production was 4.0 million pounds live weight, down 11 percent from last year. Calf slaughter of 9,400 head was down 15 percent from last year. Average live weight increased 17 pounds to 431 pounds per head.

Pork production was 61.4 million pounds live weight, virtually unchanged from last year. Total head slaughtered was 241,300, down less than 1 percent from June 2009. Average live weight increased 2 pounds per head from last year to 255 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production during June 2010 was 341,000 pounds live weight, down 14 percent. The number slaughtered was 3,500 head, down 15 percent from last year. Average live weight decreased 1 pound per head to 97 pounds.

**Nationally**, commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in June 2010 totaled 4.18 billion pounds, up slightly from the 4.16 billion pounds produced in June 2009. Compared with a year earlier beef production, dressed weight basis, at 2.32 billion pounds, was 1 percent above the previous year. Veal production totaled 10.8 million pounds, 7 percent below June a year ago.

Pork production totaled 1.83 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Lamb and mutton production, at 14.1 million pounds, was up 2 percent from June 2009.

January-June 2010 red meat production was 23.9 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2009. Accumulated beef production was down slightly from last year, veal was down 3 percent, pork was down 3 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 2 percent.

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